Griffith High School
Class of 1948

50th Reunion

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Graduates in 1948

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September 12, 1998
6:00 PM

Innsbrook Country Club
6701 Taft Street
Merrillville, Indiana 46410

Reunion Program

Social Hour.....6:00
Dinner.....7:00
Program.....8:00
Music & Whatever.....8:30

Reunion Committee

Lois (Govert) Colby
Merle Colby
Janet (Dye) Konopasek
Carl Konopasek
Joan (Hilbrich) Moore
Ronald Glover
Elderene (Smith) Bergum
Claude Hockstetler

Class Colors.....Green & White
Class Flower.....Carnation
Class Motto.....Climb; though the rocks be rugged

BAKER, ANNE TARBERT (850)678-1883
439 Marquette St., Valparaiso, FL 32580
Because of health reasons Anne will not be with us at our 50th Class Reunion.

BAKER, GERRIT (561)964-4629
6142 Holly Lane, Lantana, FL 33462
No response.

BANNISTER, RUSSELL (Wanda) (219)924-3523
1525 E. Elm St., Griffith, IN 46319
Russell & wife Wanda are spending much of their time traveling between home, Florida & Texas. They were blessed with 3 sons and 4 grandchildren.

BANNON, BILL
Unavailable

BARKEY, DELLA RAE SLATHAR (Walter) (512)863-0023
5102 Williams Dr., Georgetown, TX 78628
Della Rae & husband Walter have both retired. They have 3 children & 4 grandchildren. Their 50th wedding anniversary was celebrated on May 8, 1998.

BARNETT, GEORGE (219)223-4846
RR#4 Olson Rd., Rochester, IN 46975
No response.

BEATY, JAMES (Delene deceased) (765)675-2831
215 N. Independence, Tipton, IN 46072
Jim is a retired accountant & still the owner of an unattended coin laundry. He was an Indiana Dept. of Revenue Auditor for 20 yrs. He is engaged to Jean Hause of Indianapolis. Jim is the father of 5 children & he also has 4 grandchildren.

BELUSH, RICHARD (Bev) (812)376-3238
3282 Beech Drive, Columbus, IN 47203
Rich is in his 11th year of an engineering & computer related business. He spends a lot of time restoring & tinkering with light aircraft in their hangar at the Columbus airport. Rich & wife Bev have 2 children.

Beal Norma

BENJAMIN, ROBERT (Barbara) (219)838-5701
1007 N. Elmer Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Rob retired from American Steel Foundry after suffering a heart attack. He & wife Barbara enjoy camping & Rob loves to hunt & fish. He has 6 children & 11 grandchildren. Their youngest son graduated from GHS in 1998.

J NC BLACKABY, PAT LATKOWSKI (Bert Deceased)(919)876-0818
2919 New Hope Church Rd., Raleigh, NC 27604
Besides her family, which consists of 3 sons & 14 grandchildren, Pat enjoys travel, dancing, reading, walking, gardening & playing the organ.

MI BLANCHARD, NANCY NAUTA (John deceased) - - - - - -
3691 Carpenter Road, Hillsdale, MI 49242
Nancy has 5 children & 8 grandchildren.

D BLEE, JOHN (Margaret) (219)845-2969
2365 Sherman Street, Gary, IN 46406
John retired from being the Deputy Sheriff Asst. & bus driver in Lake County. He & wife Margaret have 2 sons, 3 grandchildren & 1 great-grandson. They enjoy traveling to visit with family & friends & the Western part of the USA.

D AZ BOTHWELL, ROBERT (Midge) (520)886-2144
P.O. Box 17416, Tucson, AZ 85731
Bob has owned his own personal planning business for 39 yrs. He & his wife Midge are very active U. of Arizona fans. They spend a lot of time with their 5 grandchildren attending their activities. They are the parents of 3 sons. They enjoy world traveling & Bob still hunts whenever time permits.

CA BURNS, JANICE KELLY (Noel) - - - - - - -
1011 Daly Road, Ojai, CA 93023
Janice & husband Noel are the parents of 3 & have 5 granddaughters. She graduated from William Woods College & Ball State with a BS & went on to receive a Masters Degree in Education from the Univ. of CA, Santa Barbara. She spent 37½ yrs. educating America's children. She collects Indian Artifacts. Most recently she spent a month in Ireland. Janice also loves skiing & tennis.

CHALFANT, LELAND - Unable to locate

D Betty Ann Coffman

COLBY, MERLE (Lois) (219)924-8583
345 S. Griffith Blvd. Griffith, IN 46319
Merle & his wife Lois (Govert) have both retired. He retired from Interstate Brands Inc. in 1988, and then finished out his 16 yrs. on the Griffith Town Council. They have 6 children & 11 grandchildren which takes up much of his leisure time by watching sporting events they're involved in. Traveling is also enjoyable to him whenever time permits.

CUNNINGHAM, BARBARA PATTERSON (Bill) (724)935-4389
87 Mystic Harbor, Bradsford Woods, PA 15015-1312
Barbara retired from her legal secretary job after 31 yrs. She now arranges their social & travel time to see their 3 children & 7 grandchildren. Bill is President of an electrical contracting business.

DEVRIES, MARVIN (Ruth) (219)924-4009
3614-43rd Street, Highland, IN 46322
Marvin was an operating engineer until his retirement. He & his wife Ruth (Johnson) are the parents of 3 children & they also have 10 grandchildren. For enjoyment they love fishing & traveling.

DEWITT, SALLY WALTER (Harold) (219)858-9278
11668 Beech Road, Bourbon, IN 46504
Sally & husband Harold operated a dairy farm until their retirement. Besides spending time with their 7 children, 14 grandchildren & 4 great-grandchildren, Sally sings in the choir & teaches children in their Church. She was an EMT for 10 yrs., & taught CPR & BAT for the Red Cross.

DILLING, JOANN DIXON (Cecil) (219)264-6540
330 Floyd Street, Elkart, IN 46514
Joann has been a homemaker to her husband & their 2 children. Besides keeping busy with their 3 grandchildren, 3 step grandchildren & 3 step great-grandchildren she's busy with Church work, quilting, crocheting & traveling.

DITTRICH, DR. JOHN (Sandra) (806)358-2645
3407 S. Concord, Amarillo, TX 79109
Jack retired with a medical disability-severe heart disease-College Dean of Business. Jack is Dad to 5 children & he also has 4 grandchildren. Jack & wife Sandra will not be able to attend our reunion.

DOELLSTEDT, WERNER (Jeanne) (510)234-5433
615 Western Drive, Richmond, CA 94801
Werner & wife Jeanne own & operate a wholesale food company, selling to California & all Pacific Islands. They have 3 of their 5 children involved in their business, which they have owned for 39 years. They've been blessed with 2 grandchildren. Werner & Jeanne are born again Christians actively trusting God in all things.

DRABOLD, DELORES SWEENEY (Ed) (219)838-1832
3317 Condit Street., Highland, IN 46322
Delores & husband Ed are enjoying their large family, which consists of 6 children & 16 grandchildren. Their 1st great-grandchild is on the way at this time. They are looking forward to their 50th wedding anniversary in the year 2000.

DUBOIS MARY DOLLY SHAFER (Dick) (714)586-7066
24765 Embajadores Lane, Mission Viejo, CA 92691
Dolly is a woman on the move (22 times) being married to Dick, a career serviceman. Since retirement they have enjoyed more traveling to see their 4 children & 7 grandchildren. Greece & Turkey are on the agenda for their next leisure trip.

DUTTON, FRANK (219)924-3098
146 N. Lindberg Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Frank is still single which gives him plenty of time to enjoy his bowling twice a week, to keep his youthful appearance. He's a retired clerk from the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railroad. Frank spent 11 years with the Little League Program & was on the Griffith Youth Commission for 5 yrs.

DYE, JANET KONOPSEK (Carl) (219)924-1367
702 N. Broad Street, Griffith, IN 46319
Janet retired after 16 yrs. as the attendance secretary at Griffith High School. She's the mother of 4 and grandmother of 10. Janet & husband Carl spend a lot of time enjoying their lake house near Rockville, IN. They are kept busy with the activities their grandchildren are involved in around the area.

FLORES, RUBEN sent painting (336)922-3638
213 Bethavara Hills Road, Winston Salem, NC 27106
Rudy retired from LaSalle Steel as an engineer and General Supervisor. After retirement he wrote several short stories & then took up painting with acrylics on paper & canvas. He enters juried exhibitions & sells his paintings. His main interest is spending time with his family, which consists of 5 children, 11 grandchildren & 1 great-grandchild. They enjoy many kinds of entertainment together.

GAFFNEY, JUNE ALGER (Bill) (219)924-6591
225 N. Wood Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
June retired from Franklin Elementary School after working there as a secretary for 20 yrs. After several additions & remodeling, June & husband Bill are still living in the home they built, while they were engaged. Their children all married late, so they're still having new grandbabies, while some classmates have grown grandchildren & even great-grandchildren.

GEARHART, CLYDE (Henrietta) (219)980-4629
4745 Whitcomb Street, Gary, IN 46408
Clyde is a retired carpenter but still spends time building & repairing furniture for his sons furniture store. He & wife Henrietta spend time enjoying their 6 children, 14 grandchildren & 2 great-grandchildren. When time permits it is used for bowling, golf & travel.

GLOVER, RONALD (Dolores) (219)924-6311
727 N. Ernest Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Ron still works as a Mfr. Rep. and since his wife Dolores retired she travels with him. He really misses playing in his band since he gave most of it up. Besides enjoying his family of 5 children & 4 grandchildren he collects lots of records & takes lots of photographs.

GOVERT, LESTER (Mercedes) (815)492-2513
14A46 Marina View Drive, Apple River, IL 61001
Les retired from Amoco in 1986 & moved to Apple Canyon Lake. He is actively involved on Parish Council Finance Committees for Catholic Churches & also a choir member. He serves as a volunteer firefighter, Pres. Garden Club Member - National Right to Life Committee -

Galena Artists Guild - National Area Guardians (Conservation Organization) - Republican National Committee. Les & Mercedes have 2 sons. Peter & his wife are Co-Directors of the Peace Corp Training Center in Kenya, E. Africa. Their 3 children born in E. Africa - American Citizens. Kevin is an accountant in Costa Rica. Les & wife have a good reason to travel.

GOVERT, LOIS COLBY (Merle) (219)924-8583
345 S. Griffith Blvd., Griffith, (IN) 46319
Lois retired from the Clerk Treasurers Office in the Town of Griffith, as the Accounts Payable Clerk. She enjoys spending time with husband Merle and their 6 children & 11 grandchildren. The families all live close so much time is spent enjoying their activities.

GREEN, REV. ROBERT (Jeanetta) (217)753-0465
2421 S. Lowell Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704
In 1996 Bob completed 21 yrs. Ministry at the So. Side Christian Church in Springfield, with the completion of a 2 million dollar worship center & educational facility. He taught as Adjunct Prof. at Lincoln Christian Seminary. Bob is now semi-retired, taking a smaller church near New Salem, IL. He's taking seniors on trips to places including Israel, Rome & later is going to Germany, Switzerland & Austria. Bob & wife Jeanetta are the parents of 7 children & proud grandparents of 8.

GREENWELL, LAVERNE (Mille) (602)443-3270
8732 El Nido Lane, Scottsdale, AZ 85250
Vern & wife Mille spend much of their time enjoying fishing & sailing in Corpus Christie, Texas. Vern retired from TWA after 38 yrs. & now has time for their 5 children & 5 grandchildren. They had a fantastic time working at Yellowstone Park the summer of '92.

GROSNER, JOAN - Unable to locate

GRUGEL, BETTY EATON (Melvin deceased) (219)374-9788
11598 B West 133rd Court, Cedar Lake, (IN) 46303
Betty is an assembler at Quality Accessories in Munster. She previously spent her time as a housewife & bookkeeper for her husbands painting business. The main factors in her life at this time are her 4 children, 10 grandchildren & 7 great-grandchildren, which all live in this area.

HALL, OSWALD (May) (904)426-5168
607 Wayne Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168
Oz & wife May are enjoying Florida since his retirement from being a barber. Besides their 1 child & 3 grandchildren, they also have a great-grandchild.

HARTZ, PAUL (Trudy) (602)933-4815
10426 W. Royal Palm Road, Peoria, AZ 85345
After spending quite a few years working in several steel mills & other jobs, he was hired in at Boeing. He stayed at Boeing until his retirement in 1992. Paul & Trudy are the parents of 2 & grandparents of 4.

HELFEN, HELEN (Samuel) (219)844-6536
3137-165th Street, Hammond, IN 46324-1149
Helen & husband Sam are retired & enjoying their family. They are the parents of 6 & grandparents of 5.

HEMPHILL, JORETTA GOTTLIEB (Al) (931)456-1378
5804 Genesis Road, Crossville, TN 38558
Joretta & husband Al enjoy living in the beautiful State of Tennessee. She's enjoying her husbands retirement. Joretta is the mother of 2 children.

HILBRICH, JEAN PETTIT (Carl) (972)497-9142
333 Melrose Drive #33C, Richardson, TX 75080
Jean & husband Carl are retired & enjoyed baby sitting for some of their 15 grandchildren. They are the parents of 9 children. Jean has many hobbies which has kept her busy.

HILBRICH, JOAN MOORE (Richard) (219)838-4116
9040 Grace Street, Highland, IN 46322
Joan & Dick have traveled through all the States & now enjoy spending time at their place on the Lake near Indianapolis. She claims she really loves fishing now. They are the parents of 6 & grandparents of 9, which includes twin girls.

HOCHSTETLER, CLAUDE (219)838-3380
730 N. Jay Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Claude is retired & still single. He works part time driving cars for Enterprise Rent-A-Car. He enjoys his 4 children & 2 grandsons, which keeps him traveling to Texas to visit.

JACOBUS, JEANNE NORRIS (Lowell) (616)798-0127
565 Tournament Circle, Norton Shores, MI 49444
After living 41 yrs. in Downers Grove Jeanne & Lowell moved to Michigan. They are the parents of 2 sons and have 1 grandchild.

JANSEN, ARLENE KUCK, Bill) unlisted
11205 Southwest Pintail Loop, Beaverton, OR 97007
No response.

KALINA, DOLORES CLAYTON (Brevan dec.) (352)486-2231 •
P.O. Box 243, Bronson, FL32621 (11316 NE Hwy 27 Alt)
Dolores retired from the University of Florida where she did accounting & clerical work. Being an Army wife she moved around the States & Japan. Her activities include baby sitting for some of her 6 grandchildren. She's the mother of 4. Church activities keep her busy.

KELLY, OMA NICHOLS (husband deceased) (618)672-4225 •
RR#1 Box 205, Stonefort, IL 62987
Oma has retired & makes her home in Tucson & Illinois. She has 4 children, 11 grandchildren & 3 great-grandkids.

KINZIE, CHARLES (Lucille) (530)283-2281
P.O. Box 533, Quincy, CA 95971-0533
Charles is a Grand Canyon College graduate with a B.A. degree & a Master of Divinity Degree from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary. He spent 23½ yrs. as a Baptist Minister. Besides retiring from the Pastorate he also retired from the Post Office, which included 4 yrs. in the Air Force & 3 yrs. in the State Military Reserve as a Chaplain. Charles & Lucille have 2 children, 4 grandchildren, 2 step grandchildren & 1 step great-grandchild. They enjoy many hobbies together.

KOEDYKER, LORRAINE ALGER (Earl) (219)924-7158
202 N. Indiana Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
No response

KONOPASEK, CARL (Janet) (219)924-1367
702 N. Broad Street, Griffith, IN 46319
After 45 yrs. Carl retired from his Griffith barber shop. He was a Union Officer, 16 yrs. Town Council Member, 8 yrs. School Board & 7 yrs. Indiana Barber Board. Carl & Janet enjoy their time at ther cottage near Rockvill, IN on Rocky Fork Lake with their 4 children & 10 grand-children.

KORNMAN, BETTY VAN HORN (husband dec.)(941)947-2009
9877 Kentucky Street, Bonita Springs, FL 34135
Betty is still working 4 days a week as a server. She is the mother of 5, grandmother of 7 and great-grandmother of 1

KRAHN, KENNETH (218)864-5501
RR #1 Box 170, Battle Lake, MN 56515-9796
No Response

KUIPER, EUGENE (Agnes) (219)836-8870
910 Ridge Road #209, Munster, IN 46321
Gene is semi-retired, but works as much as he did before. He claims he hasn't changed at all since school days but I'm sure his wife Agnes or one of his 2 girls would disagree. Gene can't believe how everyone else is getting older & plans on checking out his findings at our reunion.

LEISTIKOW, HENRY (408)978-0271
1579 Silvercrest Drive, San Jose, CA 95118
Hank obtained his degree from Washburn University & attended UCLA Grad School after spending 2 yrs. in the Army. He moved to California in 1959. Hank has 2 children & 3 grandchildren. He retired after 35 yrs. in computer work with various firms & now enjoys music, reading & toy collecting. He's working part time for a non-profit agency for indigent people.

D Lukeman Lester

MANG, JOHN (Theresa) (941)255-5402
2367 Bendway Drive, Port Charlotte, FL 33948
Jack retired from LTV Steel in 1992 & moved to Florida. Besides doing some fishing, Jack & Theresa enjoy traveling to visit their 5 children & 8 grandchildren.

MCDONALD, J.C. (Madge) (941422-3332
8341 West Lake Marion Road, Haines City, FL 33844
No Response

D Mattingly Betty

MATTINGLY, DOLLY Mitchell (Jack dec.)(219)865-8497
2335 Barbara Jean Drive, Schererville, IN 46375
Dolly retired as office manager in a sales office after working there for 25 yrs. She is the mother of 4 children & now has 6 grandchildren. Other than doing a lot of baby sitting, she golfs in the summer & travels in the winter. Quiet time is spent reading and doing cross stitch.

MENGELING, BISHOP Carl
3723 Spring Brook Lane, Lansing, MI 48917-1738
Bishop Carl is in his 3rd year as Bishop of Lansing, Michigan. He lists his children as thousands and grandchildren as tons of thousands. The Bishop is Pastor of 250,000 Catholics. A quote from Bishop Carl "I'm gloriously floundering".

MERKLEY, DELBERT (219)759-3367
P.O. Box 112, Hobart, IN 46342
Delbert is still active in the Produce Business where he started working in High School. His title at this time is Produce Buyer & also truck driver. Delbert has 3 children and 6 grandchildren.

MILAM, DORIS WRIGHT (Gene deceased) (219)962-3378
3658 California Street, Lake Station, IN 46405
Doris retired from teaching Title I Reading , in 1995, at the Hobart Twp. Community Schools. She was employed there for 21 yrs. She is now enjoying some traveling. Doris has 4 children, grandmother of 10 and 1 great-grand daughter.

MILLER, CHARLOTTE MAZUL (Hank) (504)785-2558
18 Zee Ann Drive, Luling, LA 70070
Charlotte spent her time being a homemaker since the children were born. Since their children graduated from college, Charlotte & Hank spend their time traveling. Most of their interests are family orientated.

MILLER, JEAN FOUST (Charles) (423)426-2034
P.O. Box 388, Lake City, TN 37769
Jean has had an enjoyable life with husband Charles & 5 children, staying at home being a good homemaker. They now have 12 grandchildren & 1 step grandchild. Her hobbies are crafts, re-decorating her home, painting & working on genealogy.

MILLIGAN,LORA GILBERT (Harry) (217)868-2639
23 Court Six, Effingham, IL 62401
Lora & husband celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary this year. They have done extensive traveling in 31 countries. Lora taught for 2 yrs.at the Nazarene Bible College in Kenya. She has a B.S. & M.A. degree plus 43 credit hours (post graduate).

She is now a substitute teacher for their Senior Adult Bible Class. She is the mother of 3 children, has 5 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

MITCHELL, MARY ANN POPA (828)479-6016
306 Thunderbird Trail, Robbinsville, NC 28771
Mary Ann is enjoying her very quite life in a very small town in the "Great Smoky Mountains". She has 2 daughters and 2 grandchildren.

D MOORE, JAMES D. (Bernice) (219)838-4732
2840 Parkway Drive, Highland, (IN) 46322
J.D. and wife Bernice are the parents of 5 daughters. Their family has now been enlarged to 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He retired after his youngest daughter graduated from college and now has the motto "eat-sleep and go fishing".

✓ MYERS, MARILYN MIHALIC (Michael) (941)699-0269 ✓ FL
1207 C.R. 17 No., Lake Placid, FL 33852
Marilyn is now working as a part-time cashier, after retiring from Associates Finance in 1992. Marilyn & Mike moved out of the rat-race of Ft. Lauderdale to a home on a hill overlooking Lake June. It's so beautiful she's seriously thinking of retiring again.

✓ NEWCOMER, KENNETH (June) (847)524-6742 ✓ IL
503 S. Plymouth Lane, Schaumburg, IL 60193
Kenny worked for many years at Sears, as a salesman, then left to work for a retirement home as their maintenance man. After retirement, he & wife June started doing crafts, showing & selling their many items. They are the parents of 3 and grandparents of 1.

D NOWAKOWSKI Delores

PATTERSON, SHIRLEY - Unable to locate

PAULUS, SHIRLEY BURGESS (Richard) (734)654-6648
27117 Waltz Road, New Boston, MI 48164
Shirley retired from the Gilbrator School System as the transportation supervisor for the entire school district. A trip to Alaska has been included in their many vacations. Shirley & husband Richard have 3 daughters & 3 grandchildren. Guess what? Shirley still has a horse and a mule.

D O'Rourke Thomas

D Planert Shirley

PLANCARTE, SALLY BONNEM (Homer dec.) (847)439-0013
1221 S. Walnut Avenue, Arlington Heights, IL 60005
Sally is spending her retirement years attending her granddaughters softball & soccer games, dance & piano recitals. Her 2 children & 5 grandchildren are a great delight to her and help healing her broken heart from the recent loss of her husband.

POSTEMA SUSAN DOUMA (Ralph) (708)474-5665
18825 Wentworth Avenue, Lansing, IL 60438
Susan spends most of her time babysitting her 7 grandchildren and watching her husband Ralph work on his wood-working hobby. She spent her years being a housewife and raising their 3 children.

POTTS, BARBARA BARHAM (Jack deceased) (219)923-8823
626 N. Glenwood Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Barb is the mother of 4, grandmother of 17 and great grandmother of 9. Since retiring from her dental technician job, she's enjoying her free time with the family. She spends many hours working with the young people of her Church as a Youth Sponsor.

D Ramburg Rosemarie

REINBOLT, JEANINE MAGIERA (Walter) (941)629-2670
18321 Hotlett Circle, Port Charlotte, FL 33948
No response

RENTFRO, Genevieve BACH (Harry) (219)865-1354
2008 Sir Richard Road, Schererville, IN 46375
Genny has had a really great life with husband Harry and their 2 daughters. They now have 3 grandchildren whom take up much of their time, attending all the activities they're involved in. They are considering a move to Florida, possibly next year.

D Roberts Donald

ROEBUCK, JEAN KARALIUS (Alfred)
631 Grosvener Land, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-4203
Jean will not be attending our reunion.

ROGERS, GEORGE (Patricia) (219)838-1298
2418 Ridge Road, Highland, IN 46322
George is a retired equipment operator. He and wife Patricia are parents of 5 & grandparents of 10. Besides working around the house, they enjoy spending time in their trailer up in Michigan - just relaxing.

ROSS, ROBERT (Jane) (219)838-7335
3837 Wicker Avenue, Highland, (IN) 46322
Bob is a retired self-employed plumber. He & wife Jane Leathers enjoy their family, which consists of 4 children & 8 grandchildren. They travel to see sights & fish. For more entertainment they attend concerts and shows, plus watch TV.

RUBLE, ROLAND (Barbara) (407)677-7746
7777 Fox Knoll Place, Winter Park, FL 32792
Roland's in his 3rd career, having worked for several firms, owned & operated a consulting business & now in academia. He is presently Assistant Dean in the MBA School at Rollins College. After having recuperated from open-heart surgery, he is seriously considering retirement. Roland & Barbara may spend time in Dallas where their 3 children, 4 grandchildren & 2 step-grandchildren all live.

RUTTLEDGE, GLENN (Phyllis) (219)936-3887
12344 Chippewa Trail, Culver, (IN) 46511
Glenn & wife Phyllis Williams are moving to Florida, at the time of our reunion, & unable to attend. They are the parents of 5 and grandparents of 5. Glenn is retired & is moving closer to some of his family.

SAXE, CARROLL SHIMER (John) (561)743-8340
218 Pirates Place, Jupiter, FL 33469
Carroll worked as a paralegal until retirement. They built a home on Jupiter Island and love it. Carroll & Jack are the parents of 3 girls & grandparents of 9.

SCHNEIDER, MELVIN (Billie) (904)439-0087
P.O. Box 779, Flagler Beach, FL 32137
Melvin & wife Billie enjoy traveling, most of the year, in their RV. He is a retired Airtraffic Controller. Curly has 4 children & 7 grandchildren.

SCHUSTER, GEORGINE JOHNSEN (Bill) (412)276-0710
437 Canterbury Circle, Carnegie, PA 15106-1562
Georgine is working part-time at a Vitamin Co. After Bill retired they enjoyed some traveling. They've been blessed with 2 children, 2 grandchildren & 4 great-grandchildren.

D Schmidt Weldon
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SHEBESH, LOTTIE HOUSER (Robert) (941)324-2916
395 Lake Daisy Drive, Winterhaven, FL 33884
Lottie is an employee of the bakery in Cypress Gardens, which is located in Winter Haven. Indiana is still the home of their 2 sons & families. They are the parents of 3 children & also have 7 grandchildren.

SIMPSON EUGENE (Linda) (904)677-0310
P.O. Box 1447, Flagler Beach, FL 32136
Gene & wife Linda are retired & living in Florida. Their family consists of 2 children & 4 grandchildren.

SMELTZER, DALE (Judy) (407)857-1475
914 Silver Oak Court, Orlando, FL 32809
Dale moved to Florida in 1980 & worked for the State as a care worker in the Juvenile Detention System, until his retirement in January, 1998. He & wife Judy enjoy frequent trips to Disney World trying to take in all the sights. Dale has 2 step-children.

SMITH, ALBERT (Mary) (219)924-6647
245 N. Indiana Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Albert is a retired electrician. He & wife Mary have time to enjoy their 4 children & 12 grandchildren. He is very active in the American Legion. Spare time is spent golfing, fishing & trying his luck at the Casinos.

SMITH, ELDERENE BERGUM (Axel) (219)924-7017
338 N. Lafayette Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Elderene is a registered nurse, not retired yet & no plans giving it up in the near future. She's presently working as a Computer Instructor at the Methodist Hospital. Axel spends his time in his antique business. They spend a lot of time with her 3 children & their 6 grandchildren. She surfs the net & would love to have you drop her a line at: feb@netnitco.net. She loves snorkeling in Hawaii. Elderene talks to Janice on the phone & e-mails Carroll quite frequently.

SMITH, PATRICK (Mary) (352)597-9161
10409 Shawnee Road, Brooksvile, FL 34614
Pat retired from LTV Steel & moved to Florida 11 yrs. ago. He & wife Mary take an occasional trip back to visit their 5 children & 4 grandchildren. He is still building model airplanes & drinking beer.

SNYDER, OPAL SUTTON (William dec.) (219)987-5497
9200 W. Co. Road 950 North, DeMotte, IN 46310
Opal is still working hard on a 7 acre piece of farm land where she takes care of 6 flower gardens, 2 herb gardens & mows 3-4 acres. She also helped her 8 children with the animals. She now has 21 grandchildren & 18 great-grandchildren that enjoy her beautiful gardens. Jesus is the most important person & Lord & Savior in her life.

SPITZ, RUTH SCHALLER (Michael) (219)924-9111
123 S. Lafayette Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Ruth is working as a Supervisor at Smith-Victor & has no plans for retirement. She's the mother of 5 & grandmother of 7. Ruth & husband Mike have a favorite past time - spending time with their family.

STAHOVIAK, BARBARA GATES (219)365-5401
8821 Lee Street, Crown Point, IN 46307
Barb retired from the Lake Central School System as a 1st grade teacher. She also spent time teaching at Wadsworth School in Griffith. Barb raised 2 children & now enjoys her 5 grandchildren. Other than her lakeside living & fishing in Canada she spends time traveling to see family members.

STAMMIS, GERALDINE SJOERDSMA(Harry dec.)(219)365-5295
6501 W. 89th Avenue, Crown Point, IN 46307
Geraldine has been a homemaker living in Crown Point at her present address since 1957. She is the Mother of 6 and grandmother of 4.

STANTON, JAMES (Dolores) (219)374-9767
9001 W. 133rd Place Lot R-17, Cedar Lake, IN 46303
Jim retired from his Print Shop Sales job & took up "sailing". He is President of Cedar Lake Senior Group "Keenagers" & having a ball. He & wife Dolores are the parents of 4 children & also have 12 grandchildren. They also enjoy going to garage sales & auctions.

STASSIN, ARNOLD (Donna) (219)924-4426
302 N. Elmer Avenue, Griffith, IN 46319
Arnold & wife Donna have a daughter & she blessed them with 2 granddaughters. They enjoy spending their leisure time watching them in sports & school activities. They're active in the Griffith Masonic

Lodge & Order of the Easter Stars. Prior to retiring Arnold was a partner in a Machine & Fabricating Shop. Anytime he has left is used for wood craft cut outs, fishing & travel.

SUMMERS, DOLORES ROBINSON(Richard dec(219)838-2730
3860 Gerry Street, Gary, IN 46408
P.O. Box 796, Mayo, FL 32066 --6 mos. of the year.
Dolores is traveling between Indiana & Florida & just trying to keep active. Her main goal is to keep Mr. Arthur-itis away. At this time she's engaged to her buddy & best friend of 16 yrs. She's the mother of 2 sons & grandmother of 5.

SWEENEY, EDWARD (Delores) (219)838-1832
3317 Condit Street, Highland, IN 46322
Ed is retired & he & wife Delores are enjoying their leisure life with their 6 children & 16 grandchildren + 1 great-grandchild. They are looking forward to their 50th wedding anniversary in the year 2000.

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TUCKER, JAMES (Marian) (219)980-4861
5400 Pierce Street, Merrillville, IN 46411
Jim retired from Inland Steel & Marian from Youngstown Sheet & Tube. They are the parents of 1 daughter. They play the lottery each week, only donating their money, hoping for big results.

√ WA
TULEY, PATRICIA STEWART (Robt. dec.) (253)564-3054
1114 Fircrest Drive, Tacoma, WA 98466
After retirement in 1995, Pat started going to the YMCA sewing classes, belonging to a hiking group, computer time & traveling to Hawaii which got her hooked on snorkeling. Pat has 2 children & grandmother to 3.

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VESTAL, ZOE ANN HUTCHINS (Baird) (707)539-1558
111 Cardinal Way #35, Santa Rosa, CA 95409-4110
Zoe Ann & Baird have enjoyed teaching the game of Bridge, which they enjoy. She has now gone back to her nursing career. They have 6 sons & 15 grandchildren.

√ WI
WALKER, RICHARD (Margy) (608)257-5574
1004 Sherman Avenue, Madison, WI 53703
Dick is a retired Professor/Information Science from

the University of Wisconsin in Madison. Dick & wife Margy enjoy many activities which include travel, sailing, reading, collecting art prints (framing & matting) & taking classes on computing & print making. If they have any spare time it would be used to enjoy their family which consists of 3 children & 5 grandchildren.

WALTERS, JOYCE SHEFCHIK (James) (941)743-3466
1000 Kings Highway #14, Port Charlotte, FL 33980
No response

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WEIR, GEORGE
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WESTERWELLE, EUGENE (Elizabeth) - - - - - - - -
7974 Westport Road, Jacksonville, FL 32244-5515
Eugene retired as a Lieutenant Commander (Major) from the Navy. He and his wife Elizabeth decided to make their permanent home in Florida. They have been blessed with 6 children, 24 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

WINDELL, JOHN T. (Laurie Rink) (303)857-1203 Col
9999 WCR #25, Fort Lupton, CO 80621
Jay is a consultant, founder & Vice President of The Aquatic & Wetland Company. They do design, build, grow reclamation projects i.e., stream & wetlands. Jay retired from the University of Colorado. Laurie Rink & Jay live on a 115 acre country nursery with her new daughter Anisa Rea Rink, who is 5 months old. Jay is Dad to 3 children & he also has 7 grandchildren.

WINEBRENNER, GENE
1140 Claremont Street, Fircrest, WA 98466
No response

WILLIAMS, JERRY
17810 Ridgewood, Lansing, IL 60438 No Response

WOODS, JAMES (Marianne) (219)738-2732
8221 Burr Street, Crown Point, IN 46307
Pat has retired & he & Marianne now spend their winters in Florida. They are the parents of 5 children & grandparents of 9.

D Wilcox Eugene

ZIGTERMAN, KENNETH (Judith) (616)327-1733
7069 Oak Brook Circle, Portage, MI 49002
Kenny is a machine operator for Command Electronics Schoolcraft. He & wife Judy have moved from Colorado to Iowa, to Michigan & are now enjoying their grandchildren that live close to them. They have been blessed with 2 children & 4 grandchildren. Kenny has worked as a painter & in construction most of his working years.

14- Widows

"Around the Corner"

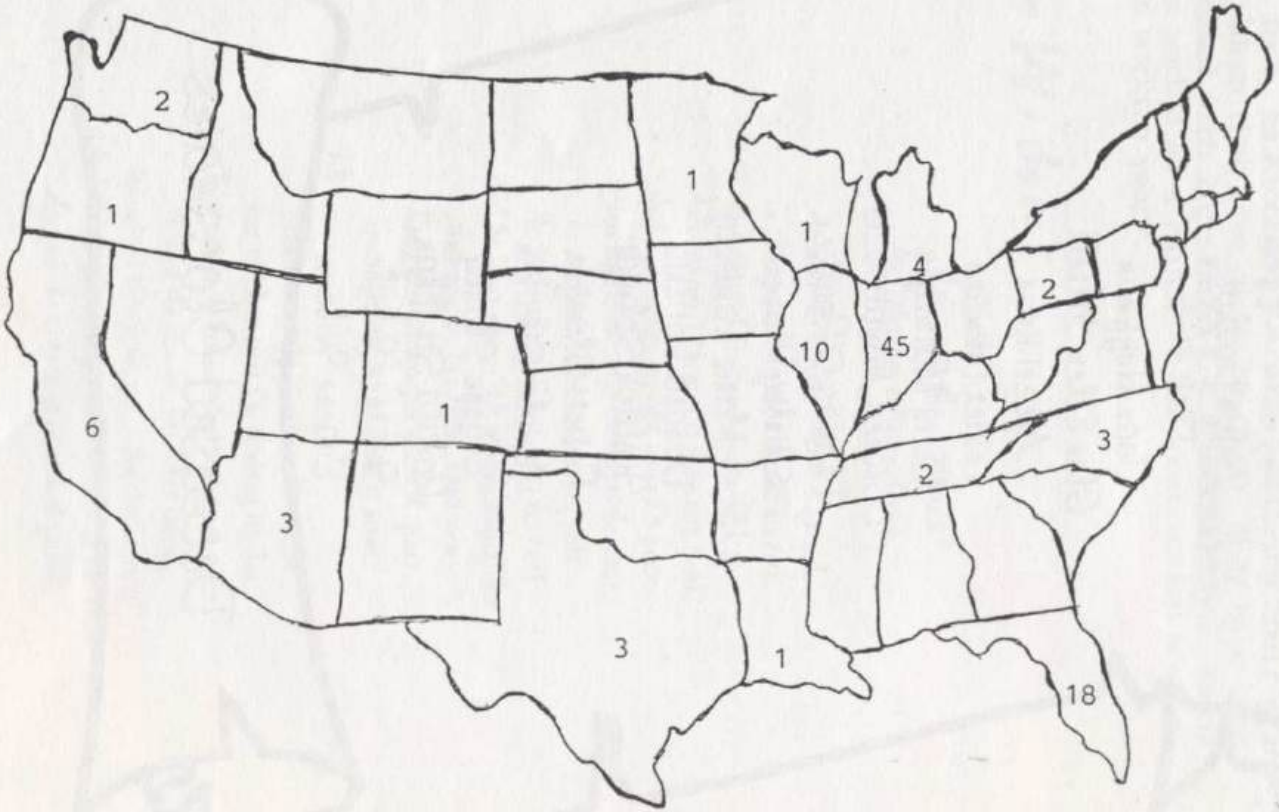
by: Charles Hanson Towne

Around the corner I have a friend,
In this great city that knows no end;
Yet days go by and weeks rush on,
And before I know it a year has gone,
And I never see my old friend's face,
For life is a swift and terrible race.
He knows I like him just as well
As in the days when I rang his bell
And he rang mine. We were younger then,
And now we are busy, tired men--
Tired with playing a foolish game,
Tired with trying to make a name.

Tomorrow, say, I will call on Jim
Just to show that I'm thinking of him,
But tomorrow comes--and tomorrow goes,
Around the corner, yet miles away...
'Here's a telegram, sir'...Jim died today!'
And that's what we get and deserve in the end--
Around the corner, a vanished friend.

Norma Beal
Betty Ann Coffman
Endon Dayhoff
Dick Holt
Joan Huffman
Glen Ellen Jarrell
Albert Kane
Lester Lukmann
Betty Mattingly
Dolores Nowakowski
Thomas O'Rourke
Shirley Planert
Rose Marie Ramburg
Donald Roberts
Weldon Schmidt
Robert Shaefer
Arnold Siltanen
Eugene Slaney
Ronald Strachan
Warren Weyke
Eugene Wilcox

Deceased Classmates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We hope all of our Classmates who were able to attend this Reunion had a memorable evening!

The Committee has put forth every effort possible.

We hope to see all of you at the next Reunion along with those unable to attend this year.

If you move - PLEASE - let someone on this committee know your whereabouts.

Fond Flashbacks

1948

Marty Brickman

Top Box Office Stars of 1948

- Bing Crosby
- Betty Grable
- Gary Cooper
- Bob Hope
- Humphrey Bogart
- Cary Grant
- Spencer Tracy
- Ingrid Bergman
- Jane Powell
- Cyd Charisse
- Ann Blyth
- Bud Abbott
- Lou Costello

Popular Songs of 1948

- *Buttons and Bows*
- *Twelfth Street Rag*
- *Manana (Is Soon Enough for Me)*
- *A Tree in the Meadow*
- *Nature Boy*
- *Now Is the Hour*
- *I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover*
- *You Can't Be True Dear*
- *On a Slow Boat to China*
- *Woody Woodpecker*
- *All I Want for Christmas (Is My Two Front Teeth)*
- *It's a Most Unusual Day*
- *Once in Love with Amy*
- *Red Roses for a Blue Lady*

PRICES:

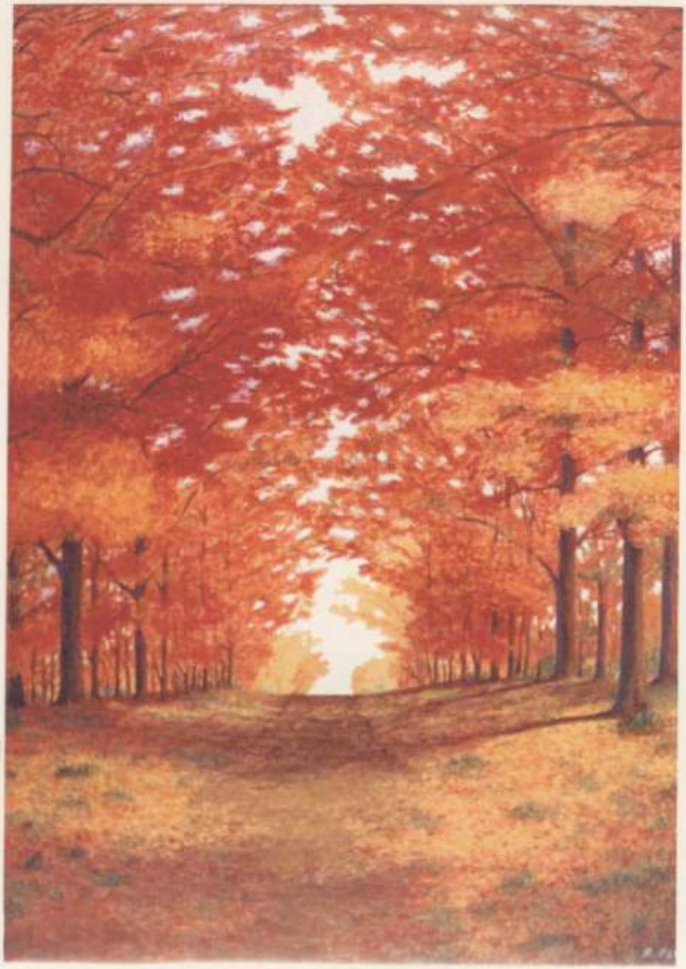
Postage Stamp... $.03 Bread (pound loaf)... $.14
Milk (quart)....$.21 Gas (gallon)...$.28 Car...$2,055.00
Minimum wage...$.40/hr Median family income...$3,187.00

AUTUMN ROAD

Acrylic

Artist: Ruben Flores

Class of 1948



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